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FCHS Plans A School Play

by Ford City Student Henry Forringer

Ford City High School is preparing for their play called "Little Shop of Horrors" on April 8, 9,10. Mrs McCanna and a production cast of others are helping out, working very hard in preparation for opening night. Students that are assisting in the play include:

- Jacob Klingensmith,
- Marlee Debacco,
- Henry Forringer,
- Sam Boback,
- Gage Heckman,
- Ariel Morhac,
- Emily McAfoose,
- Devon Hirst,
- Cody Heilman,
- Robert Shearer,
- Maria Gray,
- Lena Shaeffer,
- Mark Klingensmith,

and many others. The admission is \$8.00 per person. Curtain goes up at 7:30PM. For more information, call the school office.



Students Jacob Klingensmith, Ariel Morhac, Emily McAfoose, Sam Boback, Gage Heckman, Cody Heilman get ready for their production at Ford City High School by painting set props. (photo by Marlee Debacco)



How to Become a Conservative in 16 Years or Less

"AGE, FOR MANY, IS A MATTER OF MIND; FOR IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO GET THEM TO REVEAL THE FACT OF THE MATTER."

This past Wednesday, I had a birthday! March 10, 1991, I was born (yes, I am that young!). Since that day, much has changed; both in this world and for myself.

If you've read my articles for any length of time, you would know that I am a Christian and quite conservative. I was born, raised, still am a Baptist (with a capital B), and was raised under moral and political conservative values. However, contrary to popular humanistic opinion, your beginnings do not necessarily define your ends. I know of many who were raised under the same principles as I was, but have now forsaken much of the teachings of their childhood. The fact is that I very easily could have done the same as them.

For much of my life, I was religious without God; and was conservative without really knowing why. I was afraid to be

questioned in what I believed for I had no real confidence. The vaguest arguments from opposition made me doubt what I was taught, because I was never willing to search deeper to find the truth and reason behind what I believed. I was so disturbed inwardly I nearly did forsake all I was taught growing up.

However, right around 16-1/5 years old, something happened. I heard a preacher that encouraged us not to live a life of faithless traditions, but to search for the truth - and that's what I did. I searched for the truth, and now, I don't just know what I believe, but why I believe it. No, I don't believe everything I was taught and I know that some things may take time to fully understand, but I can honestly say I have a steadfast confidence in what I believe. I have come of age - politically and spiritually.

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